

# NOTICE OF COMBINED PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR N.C. 12- PEA ISLAND LONG-TERM IMPROVEMENTS

TIP Project No. B-2500A

Dare County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold three (3) informal, open house-style combined public hearings (CPH) for the above-mentioned highway project at the following times and places:

- **Monday, March 11 - 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**  
**Dare County Administration Building – Room 168, 954 Marshall Collins Drive, Manteo**
- **Tuesday, March 12 – 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**  
**Rodanthe-Waves-Salvo Community Center, 23186 Myrna Peters Road, Rodanthe**
- **Wednesday, March 13 – 4 to 7 p.m.**  
**Ocracoke Community Center, 1009 Irvin Garrish Highway, Ocracoke**

The same information and maps will be available at all meetings. The meetings are informal, and citizens are welcome to drop in at any time between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. NCDOT representatives will be available to explain the design option under consideration and answer any questions. The public is urged to share their ideas, thoughts and suggestions with department staff. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions will be provided and is encouraged. Comments will be accepted through **March 28, 2013**.

The process to develop long-term solutions for the breaches on N.C. 12 is a continuation of work already under way as part of the Bonner Bridge Replacement Project. Phase one of the project involves replacing the bridge over Oregon Inlet, which is currently in the final design stages. The project also includes an active coastal monitoring program that uses scientific data to determine what types of improvements are needed on N.C. 12 between Oregon Inlet and Rodanthe and when that work will occur. Using this program, NCDOT is enacting phase two of the project, which will implement the long-term solutions for the areas damaged by Hurricane Irene and again by Hurricane Sandy. The section of N.C. 12 at the Pea Island inlet is considered Phase IIa of the project.

Maps displaying the location and design of the project improvements and a copy of the recently released Environmental Assessment (EA) are available for public review at the following seven locations: 1) Dare County Planning and Inspections Satellite Office, 49815 NC Highway 12, Buxton; 2) the NCDOT Resident Engineer's Office, 349 Waterplant Road, Unit B, Manteo; 3) the Dare County Library in Manteo, 700 Highway 64/264, 4) the Dare County Library in Hatteras at 57709 NC Highway 12; 5) the Dare County Library in Kill Devil Hills, 400 Mustian Street; 6) at the Fessenden Recreation Center, 46830 NC Highway 12 in Buxton; and (7) at the Ocracoke School and Community Library, 225 Back Road, Ocracoke.

Information about plans for N.C. 12 south of Bonner Bridge is also available online at: [www.ncdot.gov/projects/bonnerbridgephase2/](http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/bonnerbridgephase2/). Also, visit NCDOT's N.C. 12 Facebook page for updates at <https://www.facebook.com/NCDOT>.

For additional information, you may either call the project's toll-free number at: 1-866-803-0529 or contact Drew Joyner, P.E., NCDOT-Human Environment Section at 1598 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1598, by phone at (919) 707-6077 or by email: [djoyner@ncdot.gov](mailto:djoyner@ncdot.gov).

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in these meetings. Anyone requiring special services should contact Joyner as early as possible, so that arrangements can be made.

For persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, interpretive services will be available at the meeting upon request. For more information, please call 1-800-481-6494 prior to the meeting.